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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST AFFAIRS: PZPR-CC SECRETARY FRELEK'S  
      COMMENTS ON ITALIAN AND FRENCH CP LEADERS AND EURO-  
      COMMUNISM

REF: (A) WARSAW 2305 (B) ROME 5283

1. DURING OUR APRIL 1 LUNCH, I ASKED FRELEK WHY HE HAD NOT BEEN  
RECEIVED BY BERLINGUER (REF B). FRELEK SAID THAT A MEETING HAD  
BEEN SCHEDULED, BUT THAT THE "MARCHESITO," AS HE IS AFFECTIONATELY  
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CALLED BY HIS COMRADES IN THE PCI-CC, FELL ILL AND WAS CONSEQUENTLY  
UNABLE TO KEEP THE APPOINTMENT. FRELEK SAID BERLINGUER WAS SICKLY  
AND THIS WAS A CONSTANT CONCERN OF HIS COMRADES IN THE PCI  
LEADERSHIP.

2. FRELEK SAID THAT, DURING EARLIER MEETINGS, MEMBERS OF THE  
PZPR LEADERSHIP HAD FORMED AN EXCELLENT IMPRESSION OF BERLINGUER,

HE IS ALWAYS CONSIDERING WHAT YOU ARE SAYING. YOU CAN HAVE A REAL CONVERSATION WITH HIM, INVOLVING GIVE-AND-TAKE ON A HIGH INTELLECTUAL LEVEL.

3. THE CASE WAS DIFFERENT WITH MARCHAIS, FRELEK SAID. HE WAS ALWAYS WELL BRIEFED, BUT, WHEN THE CONVERSATION GOT BEYOND THE BOUNDS OF THE BRIEF, HE WAS NOT WILLING TO PURSUE THE SUBJECT WHEREVER IT MIGHT LEAD.

4. THE SOLE ITEM OF SUBSTANCE DISCUSSED BY FRELEK WITH HIS ITALIAN CP HOSTS, TO WHICH HE ALLUDED DURING OUR CONVERSATION, WAS THAT REPORTED IN PARA 7 OF REF A.

5. FRELEK SAID THAT APPARENTLY DR. BRZEZINSKI EXPECTED THAT THE ADVENT TO POWER OF THE WEST EUROPEAN CP'S MIGHT NOT BE A BAD THING FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF US INTERESTS. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THAT WAS INCORRECT. ONCE THEY COME TO POWER, HE SAID, THE RAISON D'ETAT OF THEIR COUNTRIES WILL DICTATE THAT THEY ESTABLISH GOOD STATE-TO-STATE RELATIONS WITH THE WARSAW PACT (WP) COUNTRIES, JUST AS THE PRESENT GOVERNMENTS OF THOSE COUNTRIES HAD DONE. SO ANY ADVANTAGE WE THOUGHT WE MIGHT SEE IN SUCH A DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE EVANESCENT.

6. I SAID THAT I WAS WORKING IN OUR EMBASSY HERE IN WARSAW WHEN THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS MARCHED INTO PEKING AND I REMEMBERED HOW ECSTATICALLY THAT DEVELOPMENT HAD BEEN GREETED BY MEMBERS OF THE POLISH COMMUNIST PARTY (THEY OPERATING UNDER THE EARLIER EUPHEMISM "POLISH WORKERS PARTY"). FRELEK LAUGHED AND SHRUGGED.

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7. COMMENT: I WAS SURPRISED BY THE LACK OF CONVICTION FRELEK PUT INTO HIS EFFORT TO "WARN"US NOT TO PLACE ANY HOPES IN EUROCOMMUNISM. IT WAS A FEEBLE ATTEMPT. END COMMENT.  
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